

**AMENDMENT TO RULES COMM. PRINT 117-54**

**OFFERED BY MR. MEEKS OF NEW YORK**

At the appropriate place in title LVIII, insert the following:

1 **SEC. \_\_\_\_ . FEASIBILITY STUDY ON UNITED STATES SUPPORT**  
2 **FOR AND PARTICIPATION IN THE INTER-**  
3 **NATIONAL COUNTERTERRORISM ACADEMY**  
4 **IN COTE D'IVOIRE.**

5 (a) STATEMENT OF POLICY.—It is the policy of the  
6 United States to partner with West African governments  
7 where possible to mitigate and counter growing regional  
8 insecurity resulting from the spread of armed conflict and  
9 terrorism, including by providing assistance to train,  
10 equip, and mentor West African security services to  
11 counter threats to regional and national security through  
12 a whole-of-government approach.

13 (b) FEASIBILITY STUDY.—Not later than 90 days  
14 after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary  
15 of State, in coordination with the Secretary of Defense,  
16 shall submit to the appropriate congressional committees  
17 the results of a feasibility study regarding the provision  
18 of United States assistance for infrastructure, training,  
19 equipment, and other forms of support to institutionalize

1 the International Counterterrorism Academy (“AILCT”)  
2 in Jacqueville, Cote D’Ivoire, that—

3           (1) provides a legal analysis of the existing or  
4           required authorities to provide United States foreign  
5           assistance dedicated to the development and estab-  
6           lishment of AILCT programs, initiatives, and infra-  
7           structure for the purposes of training, equipping,  
8           and mentoring eligible West African security services  
9           bilaterally or in coordination with likeminded part-  
10          ners;

11          (2) identifies opportunities for the United  
12          States to leverage and support the AILCT facility to  
13          pursue national security interests in West Africa,  
14          the broader Sub-Saharan African region, and the  
15          strategic Atlantic Ocean coastal and maritime envi-  
16          ronments, including through training and research  
17          activities, and infrastructure development as part of  
18          a strategic initiative to counter anti-democratic  
19          movements, transnational terrorist and organized  
20          crime threats, and foreign malign influence through-  
21          out the region; and

22          (3) assesses any planned and pledged contribu-  
23          tions from other countries to ensure appropriate  
24          sustainment of the facilities and burden sharing.

1 (c) FORMS.—The feasibility study required under  
2 subsection (b) shall be submitted in unclassified form but  
3 may contain a classified annex.

4 (d) APPROPRIATE CONGRESSIONAL COMMITTEES  
5 DEFINED.—In this section, the term “appropriate con-  
6 gressional committees” means—

- 7 (1) the Committee on Foreign Relations of the  
8 Senate and the Committee on Foreign Affairs of the  
9 House of Representatives; and  
10 (2) the congressional defense committees.

